

# Next Generation Assessment Stakeholder Meeting



Jan. 28, 2016

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# Upcoming Trainings

## Trainings

- Jan 27: Accommodations Webinar, students with disabilities (Recorded)
- **Feb 11: School Test Coordinator Training (DCPS)**
- **Feb 17: School Test Coordinator Training (charters)**
- **Mar 3: School Test Coordinator Webinar (non-publics)**
- Feb 22: Accommodations Webinar, English Language Learners
- Feb 29: Accommodations Webinar, PNP details
- TBA: School Technology Coordinators webinar

## Office Hours

- Jan 28, 806 A, 3-5pm
- Feb 4, 806A, 3-5pm
- Feb 18, 806A, 3-5pm
- Feb 25, 806 A, 3-5pm
- March 1, 806 A, 3-5pm
- March 7, 806 A, 3-5pm
- March 14, 806 A, 3-5pm
- March 22, 806 B, 3-5pm
- March 31, 806 A, 3-5pm
- April 7, 806 A, 3-5pm
- April 12, 806 A, 3-5pm
- April 21, 806 A, 3-5pm
- April 28, 806 A, 3-5pm
- May 5, 806 A, 3-5pm
- May 9, 806 A, 3-5pm
- May 16, 806 A, 3-5pm
- May 26, 806 A, 3-5pm

# Early Childhood Update

- Elizabeth Groginsky, Assistant Superintendent,  
Division of Early Learning

# Science Updates

- Test Administration Training – Feb. 11, 17
- Content & Bias Review – Feb. 23-25
- Accommodations Webinars – Jan. / Feb.
- Technical Support
  - Professional Development Series
  - Office Hours
  - Administration Manual
- Science Admin/Accommodations – Apr.
- 2015 Student Data

# Alternate Assessment Eligibility

**We are conducting reviews on a monthly basis for special cases and circumstances:**

- New/Transfer Student to an LEA
- New Evaluation(s)
- New Disability Eligibility Determination
- Corrected/Updated Documentation SEDS

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# Accommodations

- OSSE Testing Accommodations Manual Part 2 for English Language Learners is now available at <http://osse.dc.gov/publication/2015-16-testing-accommodations-manual-part-2>
- A recording of yesterday's accommodations webinar will be posted soon to <http://osse.dc.gov/service/testing-accommodations>

# NCSC Update

- Multi-state alternate assessment contract awarded to Measured Progress to continue the work of NCSC
- Possible name change: Multi State Alternate Assessment (MSAA)
- Administration dates and details coming soon
- Contact Nikki Stewart or LaNysha Adams with questions



# Non-Public Expectations

Excerpts from DC regulations:

- 2805.3 **Nonpublic special education schools or programs shall ensure all students are appropriately included in the statewide assessment**, either by taking the statewide general assessment or an alternate assessment approved by OSSE, in accordance with guidelines established by OSSE.
- 2812.1 In accordance with chapter A-23 and section 3019 of chapter E-30 of Title 5 of the DCMR, **every nonpublic special education school or program shall ensure that every District of Columbia student with an IEP enrolled in a nonpublic special education school or program is appropriately included in either the District of Columbia statewide assessment system or alternate assessment approved by OSSE.**
- 2812.2 A nonpublic special education school or program shall ensure that statewide assessments are **administered according to the test security guidelines** published by OSSE.

# Test Integrity Updates

- Test Integrity Guidelines
  - To be released with associated forms before the Test Coordinator trainings
- Test Integrity Investigations
  - IFB released 1/20/2016
  - Contract award expected 2/28/2016 or sooner

# PARCC Registration

- Grades 3-8 PARCC student registration uploaded to Pearson Access Next by OSSE (except as requested)
- High school rosters and edits to students in grades 3-8, and LEA test windows due in Pearson Access Next by **February 8** (deadline extended due to snow and system maintenance).
- Guidance and file templates sent to data managers, heads of school and assessment coordinators by Jessica Enos
- Remember, if you have colleagues assisting, you must create user IDs for them
- Questions? Email Bonnie O'Keefe, [Bonnie.okeefe@dc.gov](mailto:Bonnie.okeefe@dc.gov) or stay for Office Hours after this meeting (3-5pm, Room 806B) and we will demo/troubleshoot!

# PARCC High School Optional Tests

- For 2015 PARCC results, OSSE did not report the aggregate results of optional high school tests, as they did not represent all DC LEAs
- This has generated many questions from parents and other community stakeholders
- Item for discussion: Thoughts on reporting optional test results on [results.osse.dc.gov](http://results.osse.dc.gov) in 2016 moving forward, with appropriate caveats?

# PARCC Required High School Tests

- OSSE named ELA II and Geometry/Integrated Math II as required tests after extensive research of other state policies and focus groups/surveys of high school LEAs
  - Primary Reasons: Generally aligned to 10<sup>th</sup> grade year when testing was expected, mostly avoided 11<sup>th</sup> grade when AP/SAT/IB tests tend to take precedence, avoided requiring multiple tests or subjects many students take in middle school (Algebra)
  - Re-evaluation after several years of implementation was always the plan
- Required tests written into DC's ESEA Waiver, which expires this summer and will be replaced by ESSA-based state plan
- Testing once in high school is still required under ESSA, but testing requirements/options may change in 2016-17 based on ESSA options and stakeholder feedback (including LEAs).

# Participation Rates

- OSSE is required to report test participation rates for the state and all schools, overall and in all subgroups, to USED and publicly
- School participation rates must be displayed on state report cards (LearnDC)
- In the past, if school participation was below 95% for two consecutive years, automatic priority status. Below 95% for two years for a subgroup, automatic priority status
- Participation will play a role in new accountability system under ESSA, specifics undecided. 95% requirement from USED remains

# Participation Rate Calculations 2014-15

- School, state PARCC participation rates for 2014-15 reported to EdFacts, will be amended, must be incorporated into LearnDC
- Formula used:
  - Only students required to take assessments are considered. Exclude HS students who took optional tests, New to US students from ELA, and medical exemptions.
  - Continuous enrollment: Only consider students enrolled continuously at a school/state from beginning of March through June based on equity reports student movement files.
  - Numerator: Continuously enrolled students with a valid score
  - Denominator: All other continuously enrolled students required to test

# Proposed Participation Calculation 2015-16

- Only students who meet PARCC's attemptedness rule will have a valid score.
  - PARCC attemptedness 2015-16 is at least one answer per unit except for one. If a test has 4 units, there must be at least one answer in 3 units.
- Only students required to take assessments are considered
- Continuous enrollment and rosters:
  - Students must be continuously enrolled in the state window (March 28 - May 20)
  - For high school, must be included in submitted course rosters on February 5
- Numerator: Continuously enrolled students with a valid summative score (both subjects for 3-8)
- Denominator: Continuously enrolled students, minus New to US in ELA and medical exemptions
- Alt eligible students will also count for participation
- Cohort Test Participation: Additionally, OSSE will annually calculate a cohort participation rate for graduating students, to check that students have participated in statewide testing



# Proposed FAY Rule 2015-16

- Full Academic Year (FAY) rule: Students must be enrolled on the day of the enrollment audit and on the first day of PARCC (3/28), and 85% of the time in between.
  - Closely comparable to past years
  - Only FAY student results are reported/aggregated for accountability

# DC Health

- For any questions on school plans or health standards, contact Carolina Arango, [carolina.arango@dc.gov](mailto:carolina.arango@dc.gov), in the OSSE Division of Health and Wellness